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Let no man command my conscience.

The media's portrayal of feminism is a grossly distorted view that only increases the imbalance of the sexes. They portray feminists as predominantly lesbian with one aim in mind, — to reverse the power structure of male domination. With this magazine we hope to make people realize that feminism has very positive sides to it, that the media tries to avoid.

From the very start of our education males and females are separated from each other. Males are encouraged to take part in more physical activities than females Boys learn how to be ruthless in competition and are encouraged not to show compassion in their everyday relationships. Males don't show emotion or cry, they are meant to be tough and strong. Females on the other hand are encouraged to be compassionate and unselfish. Females are taught how to sew and cook. If a male wants to take part in home economic classes, he is teased and called a classy. Males wear the trousers/females wear the skirts. It's all separation it's all done for the purpose of preserving the status quo.... a white male dominated system.

What we are saying in this magazine is that male and female should be living bounder, on an equal basis. It is wrong for men to dictate the terms of a woman's existance. You ask what can one do to change this? Reather than use force to changethings (probably for the werse) we have to re-educate our minds so that we can start to see each other as people, not objects, to use and abuse where we like we have to show our children that there is more to relationships than one sex having control over the other. In the home, the work should be shared. By achieving this state of equality you then have the scope to learn from each other. bush male and female should have the right to live according to their needs and preferences. No-one should be forced into empty, lifeless slavery. We all have the right to choose our own destiny.

When a woman walks down the street she is entitled to go unhindered by cock proud males. She is not a vessel for males to fill. If we weren't separated so much in the way we dress alot of sexist attitudes would disappear. Short skirts and high heels aren't practical clothes. They stimulate rather than educate. Men about start realizing that their is a person under the provocative garment and have respect for the person; sexist attitudes don't see person - they see possesion. Like feminism, anarchism is against the gaps that have been forced on males and females. It points out the right of everyone to take responsibility for their lives. Anarchism seeks to achieve a society without authoratarian structures. Without these, people can start to live more for each other, not in * competition. Alot of our attitudes to each other are built on fear and mistrust. The reason is of course because this capitalist system conditions us to build empires of distruction. The links between anarchism and feminism are that both recognize (and want to change) the sources of the

inequality in our society. It's up to us all to work to change things. YOU, ME, US, WE ALL MUST TAKE RESPONSIBILITY. STOP COMPLAINING IF YOU AREN'T PREPARED TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT.....

"Cor, look at the beauties on her Bill". "Yeah, I'd like to show her a thing or two in bed. " - Nothing like a page 3 cracker to set your day alight. If you really like to get the hots the 'working class' Star has got the 'birds in colour'. Bill goes home to his wife and kids. After dinner he sits down to relax. He hears Johnny getting ticked off. Mum brings him into the sitting room with a dirty magazine in his hand. "Never thought I'd catch you looking at that kind of filth in this hou house, and I don't EVER want to catch you again." Bill scolds his son. "You're only 12 you know," Bill is furious and threatens Johnny with a good beating next time. Yet only this morning he was mind-fucking the girl on page 3 of the Sun. That was different though, and he's allowed to think dirty anyway. Besides, a pornography magazine is what it is, and The Sun, Star and Record aren't porn. No-one's doing anything in them, it's only a pose to stimulate and make your blood run a little faster than usual. It helps you get on with the job better while you think about screwing what's-her-name.

Do men staring at page 3 boobs ever stop to consider the feelings of the girl opposite

the name doesn't matter, it's what she's got.
Doesn't Whitehouse or any other rubbish on the
top shelf of the magazine wracks do the same
thing? Of course they do, but your conscience

them on the bus or tube? What about a woman walking into an office, garage, etc to be confronted by a Sun calender? Does no-one care as she nervously squirms and shifts from foot to foot, trying hard to pretend she hasn't seen the obsenity? Does no-one care enough to realize how vulnerable she feels? A million thoughts race through her mind - will they laugh at her figure when she walks away -why are they staring? Will they mentally rape her or worse? On and on her mind spins.

doesn't want to admit it.

The page 3 girl is the passive beauty who is going places, but fuck knows where. On your wall in the office, inside your locker door maybe? A daily reinforcement that the other sex is the object of you fantasies. Fit to cook, wash, sew, iron and look at.....while men get on with more important matters like winning wars and running the state. The longer women allow themselves to be exploited this way, the harder it will be for male/female relationships to be more equal. Males should also make a stand against sexual exploitation of women. Try putting your self in a/woman's place. For instance how long could you take being 'the inferior sex', only an object for males to wank over, to fuck, to mock or jeer at in the office, shop or pub. How do you think women feel when they are never taken Seriously? Your opinion doesn't matter coz your merely a woman.

So next time you pick up the sun or star instead of goggling at a woman your never likely to meet, don't take part in the usual filth that sexist males sprout. Think about the person under the image, we all know that along with the blood and gore...SEX SELIS... When women are treated with respect and not as sex objects, page 3 might then be filled with real news not perversion......

I am man, I stand naked before you. The root of all violence stems from man.

I am the oppressor who crushes the flower, and the earth from which it came. I am the idiot and the arse-licker who from this platform exposes himself for all

While the middle aged man forces a girl, barely sixteen years ald to part her legs. He stands on this platform for all to see.

Will you share my shame? Will you share the guilt?

Or will you, like the by-stander, gloat over the trembling naked flesh that has been struck by the dominant fist?

This society, through it's perverse weakness condenes sexual exploitation. Page after page, the press endlessly and strenuously, try to encourage masculinity. These respectable rags with their patriotic sentiments, promote sexual frustration, pro oking each individual, luring them into the trap. The bait is respectable, disguised, then set, and a few days later another victim of media drivel has been mentally and physically abused and maimed. Will attitudes never change? Will the

public never see through these licensed rapists.

And in every town and city there's a queue outside each tiolet. Each member of that queue carries a legal rapest, The Sun, The Mirror, Playboy - does it really matter? Inside, in their small cubicals, cut off from the rest of the world they can fantasise. They can dream and pretend as they expose themselves to the naked flesh, the flesh whom they will never see, nor touch. Their sweating hands work up and down their tools, as the flesh contracts and the head expands, they can pretend a little more. Their tongues hang loose, as sweatand saliva trickel onto their unshaven chins. Their bodies quiver into orgasms. The hands work frantically, their tools stand upright, as the occasional grunt of satisfaction escapes from th their tongue licking mouths, the mouths that smile. Each one reaches their climax and ejaculates. This moment is theirs, as their minds construct the finishing touches to each little fantasised rape.

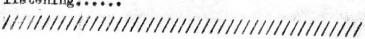
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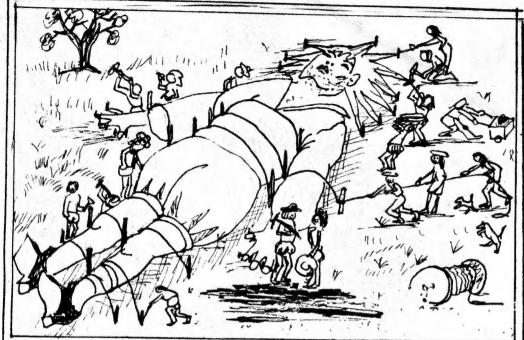
I hold the attention of the crowd, Iam the crowd, I am part of it. And I am man, I speak out against his conquest, his desire to dominate and inflict upon others his prejudice. I will not be a part of his crusades. I am not a fragment of his love, his hate, his peace, his wars, his religeons. I have opened his books, but he shall not indoctrinate my mind, for I abandon them in his library of lies. Side by side man and woman can create and work for a future without Domineering and discriminating. We can share each others happiness and heal each other's wounds. We shall share the platform,

woman and man, for I am the crowd, and she is the crowd. I am part of it, she is also part of it. We live not in isolation, nor as objects but as one as one as one .

Crying out in the darkness, so many of us do. With welcoming arms you beckon the daylight. The sheets are so warm - some of us have no sheets to cling to for warmth and security. Crawling out from under the sheets you want to see what the weather's like, cold frosty, raining. You like to think that the air is clean outside, but it's not. Our kind have polluted it with radiation, we have soiled the earth with the unnecessary spilling of blood. We infest it with chemicals, so we might get rich..... The earth is crying, but nobody's listening.....







"He could be right y'know....He claims we're making a discrimatory action against an ethnic minority."

A small Jamaican boy, Joey and 5 year old Mandy were constant playmates. Because Joey's mother worked during the day and Mandy's mother stayed at home, Joey had most of his meals at mandy's house.

One day the two children started school. Mandy returned home alone.

"Where's Joey?" asked Mandy's mum.

Silence.

"Isn"t he coming for tea then?" she asked.

Silence.

Mandy s mum was puzzled but went off to finish cooking tea.
Then, "Teas's ready, isn't Joey here yet?"
Silence.

"What "s wrong? Have you two had an arguement? Where IS he?" she asked perplexed.

"Well" said Mandy Indifferently, "He never told me he was black!"

Should we allow a woman to make a unilateral decision for abortion? — Should not her husband have a say in the matter? Why husbands should demand such power in such matters is a fit subject for depth analysis. In the absence of such, perhaps the bet thing we can say to men who are 'hung up'

on this issue is this: "Do you really want to live for another 8 months with a woman whom you are compelling to be pregnant against her will?"

I believe that if we put into the hands of men a ready and sure means of preventing conception, there will be more prostitutes, fewer marriages and more disease amongst women..... Issac Pierce M.D. 1888 speaking against contraception.

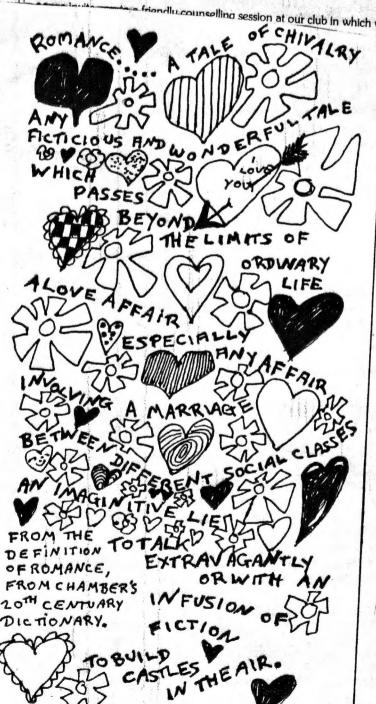
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After that she said I was overweight and narrow shouldered so she got me a corset and a jacket with padded shoulders for Christmas andlast week she left me becuase she said I'm not the man she married."

The following extract speaks for itself:

That night he just lost his head. He went in and dressed himself in black and he came out. He was wearing steel toe capped boots and he started knocking me around the place until the blood was running out of me. Then he dragged my hair up to the fire. He got papers and he started to set my hair on fire. I got them out. He left me alone for a couple of minutes then he started again punching me about the place again, wouldn't listen to no reason. Then I asked him for a drink of water and he went into the kitchen. Back he came with a breadknife. I felt the knife just going down my arms and he cut me a few places in the arms. He brought the knife across my face, it was only scraped, down my body from my chest down and he stabbed me 3 or 4 times in the stomach, I got 14 stitches in my stomach. The blood was running out of me. He just when clean cracked because I kept getting up from the beatings all the time and sitting down again. He kept slinging me about. People heard me, but there was nobody to help 11 me. He screwed the legs off the coffee table and started battering my head, my back, my arms, my legs, the back of my legs.

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THERE ARE SOME PARTS
THAT EVERY
BEER CAN REACH!

LICENCE TO KILL WOMEN

Wife's free love ended with killing' ran the headline in the Newsletter on 26th June. It wasn't of course the woman's approach to sexuality which led to the killing as the paper implied. It was the man's sexual jealousy. They had separated and when she asked for a divorce he 'snapped' and stabbed her to death. 'It was the triumphant look on her face' he claimed in defence. Justice Hidgson found him guilty of manslaughter and sentenced him to 2 years ... but under new powers ordered David Barlow from Birmingham to serve only 6 months.

At the same time a British soldier was sent down for 7 years for the 'off-duty' shooting dead of a woman in Strabane. It is expected he will serve only 2-3 years of this, and that in England. He had tried to rob the woman, who told him to fuck off, whereupon he shot her in the head. The judge said that losing his career was punishment in itself.

AND FREUD SO LOVED THE EARTH, HE

CREATED GOD IN HIS OWN IMAGE.

Generally speaking, men hold all the positions of power in society - politicians, bosses, lawyers, judges, doctors, etc. Men make the laws and decisions that affect our lives daily. Roughly half the poeple in this country are female. With that in mind, how can a man assume he knows best about women's needs?

The laws on rape are only one topic badly needing revision. It's curious that in in spite of the fact rape is a violent crime by men against women, men always make the laws dealing with rape. Abortion, painful menstruation and childbirth are things that directly affect women. No man can possibly understand fully, how a woman in any of these situations feels. Yet in their arrogance men assume the right to tell us about our bodies. Almost any male doctor will tell you that painful periods are all in the mind. How the hell does he know? He doesn't have periods:

The Pope upholds traditions that are centuries old. The Catholic Church still denounces abortion, contraception and divorce. Considering that the Pope is celibate and will never have to face these problems, what right does he have to force his opinion on anyone else? Does our Holy Father really expect a woman to stay married to a man who has beaten her continually and made her life miserable, throughout years of marriage?

God himself is first in a long line of male hierarchies. God is the ultimate in male domination. He sits on his throne in self righteous judgement. His commandments reduce women to the status of vessels to fulfil men's ego and produce their children. We serve no other function than to help God and man prove their masculinity. Yet, men try hard to deny us our own femininity. Instead of choosing our own lifestyle, clothes and sexuality, we live to please men, dress to please men and are told what we enjoy in bed.

With a few exceptions, sex manuals are written by men. Most of them are about telling women how to please men. They also tell women what they should enjoy sexually. Rarely do they actually hit on what women do like sexually. Naturally they never admit that a woman could enjoy another woman in bed. To do so would be admitting that we don't need men or their genital organs.

Men are so proud of their pricks they build phallic symbols all over the place. One man (Freud) is still highly noted for his 'Penis Envy' theory. A woman's subservience to men is all justified by the absence of this highly over- rated piece of flesh. According to Freud we accept our sub-slavery because we are jealous of men's pricks. He never takes into account the fact that women find men's genitals visually unnatractive, or at best funny. He wants us to stand in awe and admiration of his prick, so he brands us female eunuchs.

The ultimate phallic symbols are of course nuclear weapons. Men build them and also make the decision to use them. Man's virility is symbolised by mass destruction and the agony and death of millions of people.

Man's domination over women is not only cruelly destructive, it is totally unnecessary. Men are not biologically superior. The history of circumstances that has led them to believe they are superior can be exposed as the dogmatic propaganda that it is. Women are intellectually equal with men. Perhaps it's time we realized that our differences (if there are any) could be compatible.

Equality is the right of every human being. If we don't achieve it soon there may be no-one left to argue about it.

You can't change other people's opinions if you don't firstly change yourself.

Men could stop degrading women if they really wanted to. Dirty jokes and pornography are things not all boys grow out of. Women need to realize that short skirts
and low cut tops will never prove that they are interesting or intelligent people.

Men lust over women's bodies, but have difficulty relating to women who can speak
out against sexism. The faults must be overcome by both sexes - together.

There's nothing wrong with men and women supporting each other. It only becomes wrong when one sex falls into the trap of dephdancy and the other capitalizes on this.

Why do I bleed?.... A priest told me it is God's punishment for Eve eating from the tree of knowledge. All women must pay for her sin and pay our penalty with painful menstruation. My name is not Eve... and anyway, what's so wrong with eating an apple? What's so wrong with Eve wanting to gain knowledge? I thought JESUS died on the cross to save us from our sins. So why do I pay for Eve's temptation? My womb weeps for the injustice of every woman who wants to obtain knowledge, and instead recieves pain.

Why do I bleed?.... My doctor says it's a natural, biological function to tell me I'm capable of bearing children. 'Why is it so painful? Why do I get so depressed?' I ask him. He looks at me patronizingly, and tells me I imagine the pain in my womb and heart, and should be pleased to be so 'NORMAL' My womb weeps for the shallow pretence of sympathy he gives, when he really believes that I, and all women - are neurotic! My womb weeps for all women who need his care but recieve instead patronizing insults, and suffer his negligence by bearing ill deformed children, from uncared for wombs.

Why do I bleed?.... My mother says I should be proud. It means I am a woman.... but when she bleeds, she calls it the curse. She reminds me to be careful when I'm with boys now - but never says why! My womb weeps for her and all women, Mother/Sister/Wife/Whore/Daughter/Mistress, forced to bleed and know not why,,,, but simply accept. As JESUS spilled his very life blood for us, surely it's a small price that I pay to save myself from Eve's sin..... curiousity about the taste of apples!

One of today's riddles is how, in a world growing smaller, with a population growing larger, people can be drifting further apart?

This graph shows what happens if you let Cyril Smith divide up your pork pie. This graph shows what happens if you let the Labour Party divide up your pork pie. This graph shows what happens if you give your pork pie to the Conservatives.

And this graph shows that happens if you

give your pork pie

League of Friends,

or a vegetarian.

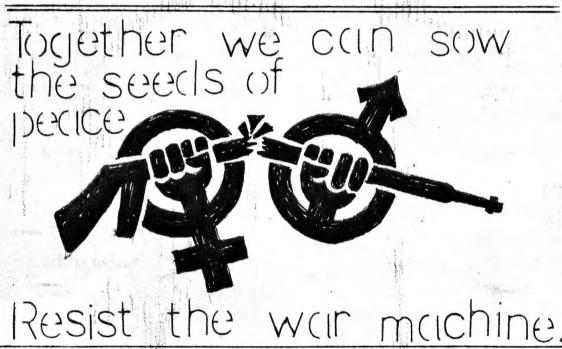
to the Jewish

I thought I saw
a fluffy cloud,
plump, soft as dew,
I looked again and
found it was
a power station's spew.

BARBARA LAWSON

I want for you and I to live in peace, But trust is so Important. I give it to you, can you give it to me? Our masks are the bondage that keeps us apart. If we took them off, could we then see ourselves more clearly? You and I both feel pain, hurt, sorrow, but so much of our pain, hurt and sorrow need not be if our alienation from each other did not exist. Alienated from our bodie's, in our clothes, in the supermarket, in the home. The system spreads it's dirty wings and we fall into deeper isolation, no choice of free association. Will we keep on fighting each other untill there's nothing left? You may say on, I don't care, as long as I'm having fun, but you have a voice, you can choose whether to make a stand or not. The animals have no choice; have we the right to make them share in our self inflicted pain? Each and every one of us has the right to the way in which we live, bear that in mind next time you tread an someone else's toes.

I want for you and I to live in peace, but trust is so important. If I give it to you could you give it back? I give you my word, I want us to co-operate and exchange in ideas, sharing and understanding each other, in a free atmoshere. No authorotarian state can live in peace. Inside it's walls thrives chaos and fear, war and exploitation of our bodie's, poverty and starvation, loneliness and frustration; can and alternative society be any worse than that? Sow the seeds of peace, resist the was machine, Tolerance and understanding of each other's needs are irrelevant in war, we die for another's glory. There is no pride in being someone's pawn, think about that when you read the army careers brochure. OUR sexual and emotional needs should not be dictated to us, we have the right to choose. Women aren't born to submit to man, we are all equal — and none are more than others.



THIS IS WHAT WE WANT? GOCK ROCK PUT IT BACK IN YOUR FUCKIN JEANS SOUNDS March 26, 1983

HE NIGHT'S gig is a stormer. The music is louded basic, brutal and bruising ... not effete or namby pamby in any way. The sultans of sleaze, the gorgons of Glam, the titans of trash — Wrathchild are all this and more. For vinyl evidence look no further than the band's debut four track 12 inch single, out now on Bullet, called 'Stackheel Strutt'.

But I leave you with Mr Rocky Shades, thick Brummie accent magically transformed into hyper cool drawl, challenging Twisted Sister's Dee Snider in the super-rap stakes.

"Alright! We've been getting a lot of slagging from the Press recently — and it's all because they don't like the idea of a British Glam Rock band competing with the Americans. But we're British and proud of it! Whaddya say to that?"

"And I'll tell you something else — we make those American rivals look like nuns on a Sunday school outing!"

YAAAAAY!

"And we're going to prove it right now by playing you a track guaranteed to turn all you males into raging animals—so you just got to go out and wrap your legs around a piece of naked ass! And it's guaranteed to turn all you females—wherever you're hiding—into sex-crazed whores! When we're through playing this you're going to have so much cream running down your jeans you'll think you've got a trifle between your legs!"

YAAAAAAY!

YAAAAAAY,

Alrighti Blame this mutha on me, the Prince of Lust
this is called 'Cock Rock SHOOOOOCK'!"

That's entertainment? You better believe it

MYTHS ABOUT

In films, books and telivision plays the subject of rape is toyed with. Comedians love it - 'It is impossible to rape a woman - any woman with her skirt up can run faster than a man with his trousers at his ankles'.

RAPE

Most pornographic publications contain an element of rape, for it contains the magic ingredients - sex and violence. Pornography is of course the fairy-tale version of males fantasies. Read the letters page in 'Mayfair' and you'll see what I mean.

Rape is the foremost fantasy in our society..... you think I'm kidding — let me explain.... In one form or other, sometimes bluntly, maby explicitly, perhaps subtly this fantasy permeates most of the songs, films and books about heterosexual love..... Think about those corny old black and white films everyone cringes at — but secretly may like to watch. The formula is always the same.....a man and woman are arguing, she is beautiful and determined, he can fit almost any description. The argument progresses and she gets angrier while he shifts between anger and amusement. She turns to walk away, but he grabs her, pulls her toward him and kisses her till her struggles to guess what happens next. This pattern is found in many forms with slight variations. The man forces the woman to submit to him sexually — and she loves it. That is the appeal of the rape fantasy.

It is a perverse world that produces this fantasy. While it is accepted by society that men are sexually or in any other way dominant and females passive and not so sexually inclined, this fantasy will remain with us.... because our society considers it 'normal'.

Too many males believe that when a girl says 'no' she means 'persuade me'.



There is however, another myth about rape. It is entirely contradictory to what I have described above. In the second myth the man is not 'normal', but a slobbering, deranged psychopath, who drags a woman up an alley, beats her up and rapes her. This is nearer truth but it wise to remember that a large proportion of rapes are committed by someone who the raped woman knows, sometimes quite well.

So what can we do to prevent rape?
Women could learn self defence which
may be of use in some situations. In
truth though it is far more important
to change the society which creates
rapists. To do this men and women need

females are not biologically natural. This is something manufactured by education and environmental conditioning. Sex and love in books, films and songs etc should not be portrayed as competition, or perhaps not portrayed at all (that is a matter for you to think about and discuss). Pornography is an obvious permeater of rape and should be abolished. The laws on rape

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need to be reformed because at this moment rape is legally very difficult to define. It is a very easy crime to get away with. Many people say only one in three rapes are reported to the police but this is considered to be quite a conservative estimate and the figure is probably nearer one in ten rapes reported. Consider on top of this that nine out of ten men accused of rape will be acquited by a jury and you don't wender that women fear not only rape but the aftermath as well.

Males and females should immediately snap at any body making crude or sexist remarks. We have to change this society for many reasons but abolishing rape and all violent crime is as good a reason as any.

FACTS ABOUT.RAPE.

If the myths about rape are stupid/sick/unrealistic/etc the facts are a hell of a lot more unpleasant.

Our societie's attitude toward rape affects all women - whether they themselves have been raped or not. Men walking alone at night may feel fear of an unprovoked attack. It is the same fear all women know when walking the streets even in broad daylight.

Women are always having to put up with mumbled comments or threats from men on the street, we also have to put up with workmen's whistles and shouts of



Victim of a little rape or is this how men see us?

stuck up bitch, if the female chooses chooses to ignore the whistles and crude suggestive remarks. Sexist remarks from people known and unknown must be endured daily. All of these 'little rapes' can turn a walk or a social drink into an ordeal. Anyone who thinks that whistles, sexist comments are harmless has never considered the psychological effect of constantly being annoyed and possibly having to be afraid.

If a woman goes walking alone at nite or enters a pub or disco alone, or hitch-hikes by herself she finds she is doing something 'nice girls don't do'. If a woman in any of these situations is raped the man will inevatably escape prosecution and the woman be told that she was 'asking for it'.

Some rapists who were asked why they committed their crime said this:- Some women have got this attitude, they walk down the street like they own it. Nose in the air if you smile or speak. They think theyre too good for anybody?..... So the rapist decided to show these type of women that they were not too good for him!

These are examples of the events surrounding a few rapes. It seems that women are thought of by rapists as loose women who 'ask for it' or women who think they they are too good to be looked at, they are either touchable or untouchable - either way they are eligible for rape.

HOW DOES THE LAW DEAL WITH RAPE ?

Women are legally a man's possesion and when a woman is raped the law takes it from the point of view that a man's possesion has been temporarily stolen. Thus:-

The consent standard in our society does more than protect a significant item of social currency for women; It fosters and cont/d

is in turn bolstered by, a sculine pride in the exclusive possession of a sexual object. The consent standard of a woman for sexual intercourse awards the man a privalage of bodily access, a personal "prize" whose value is enhanced by sole ownership. An additional reason for the man's condemanation of rape may be found in the threat to his status from a decrease in the value of his sexual possession which would result from forcible violation.

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Rape as a prosecutable crime is not an infringement of a woman's rights but a crime against the man whose possesion she happens to be. That is of course why it is difficult to prosecute a man for raping his own wife. He can very hardly steal what is already his. In the case of an unmarried woman her body is owned by her father.

Somehow we have to solve a serious crime - RAPE. So how do we intend to do it. I believe that in an enarchist society many orimes would be non-existent. Anarchy is a way of creating equality between men and women. Only when this equality is achieved and we don't see each other as sex objects can such hideous occurences as rape be stopped. Anarchy is a long way off so we have to start fighting rape in little ways, like not making sexist remarks and telling people who do what what we think of them.

Refuse to go to see films that depict violence against women, eg, Dressed to kill and The SHining. If you get a bit more courage hand leaflets to people going to see such films or boycott cinemas showing such trash. Write rude letters to newspapers telling them what you think of page 3. Lots of other people do, so when enough complaints are made they will have to take notice. Complain about literally all the sexist filth around you and encourage other people, male and female to do the same. Never buy goods which use sex to sell their merchandise — find other brands and write letters to the appropriate firm to tell them why you will no longer buy their goods.

Women must not be seen as sex objects so how you dress goes a long way to painting a picture for males to wank over — or see you as an individual who may possess inteligence. Never be afraid to critisize a woman if she is showing a lot of bare flesh — it may give her cause to think, if nothing else.

I'm not saying that you should do any of these things. I don't have the right to tell you what to wear and what films you shouldn't see. I'm only saying that somehow we must stop rape happening. The law doesn't do much to help us but we have got to do something. It could happen to the girl next door, your mother, friend or someone you went to shoool with. IT'S HAPPENING RIGHT NOW TO SOME INNOCENT WOMAN.



SEX=CRIME = SEX=CRIME

Comedians are well known for trying to get laughs at the expense of minority groups. Take for example their attitude toward homosexuality, - "Heard the one about the gay potatoes? Queen Edwards, - you don't have to peel them, they scratch each others eyes out."

The legal system also encourages prejudice against homosexuality. Until 1967, in this country, homosexual acts were against the law. In 1967 the law was modified in England and Wales. Men over 21 may do as they wish, as long as it is in private. is illegal for gays to chat each other up in public, and suggest a sexual get-to-gether. Homosexuality in the armed forces is illegal. In 1811 two soldiers were hanged for having an affair together. In Scotland and Ireland homosexuality is illegal. It is one of the few offences which you can still be hanged for in southern Ireland!

Homosexuals themselves, are estimated to comprise at least 10% of the population. Why is it that they feel they have to hide their sexuality, when most people can



feel free to talk, or even boast about heterosexual affairs? If someone openly admits to being gay, they risk losing their job, getting queer bashed or outraging what we call "public morals".

You get the world's sympathy if you are a person coping with a difficult or upsetting heterosexual affair - but not gays. Bewildered homosexual/bisexual people not only have to cope with with the emotional joys and upsets of their sexuality, but the fact that it is illegal too. They have to face people daily who ridicule or even show violence.

People don't give much comfort or sympathy to a friend trying to discover whether or not they are homosexual.

"Oh, it's just a phase/perversion/lunacy."

It is very difficult for any minority group or individual who knows they are in a world that loves to hate any—thing that is not normal.

SO what is sexually 'normal'? Surely whatever is natural to any consenting couple, regardless of their sex/uality. If people aren't being hurt or forced to do something they'd rather not, what reason is there to brand it 'socially unacceptable?'

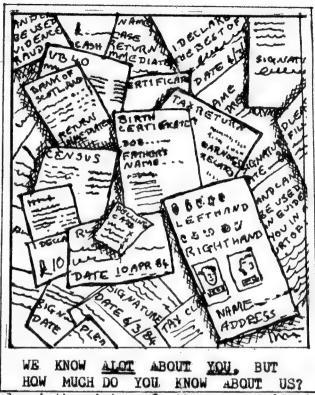
Everyone of us could learn to be tolerant of each other and respect other people's needs. To be prejudiced against homosexuals is stupid and unnecessary. It wouldn't hurt anybody to change their attitude toward a more tolerant, earing way of thought. If homosexuality did not have such a long history of 'moral disgust' we would probably all be taking part in bisexual or homosexual activities. The most respected men in Greek philosophy had relationships with their male pupils. No one has ever suggested that it was wrong then.

heterosexuality is thought of as "normal" because we have it rammed down our throat constantly in the form of love songs/films/advertising/romantic novels/etc/etc. We simply

assume that heterosexuality is normal and homosexuality isn't - Because we never bother to question anything!

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1984 has a very frightening ring to it. To alot of people it symbolizes the end of the world as we know it... "DOOMSDAY"! You've heard of 'Big Brother', 'The Thought Police' and absolute totalarism. What 1984 really means is a state of facism where people come secondary to the idea...the thought. If you are a subversive or if your ideas different iate from that of the party, you are eliminated. What you do most of your life is recorded and put in files, for future references. Details of your character are studied and analised. Every form you fill in counts. From your medical card to the census form. they ve got your name and number.....but it can't happen here.



In the middle ages they used to burn people at the stake. In the name of 'God' people were tortured in an effort to extract confessions. These people were often subversives but were labelled witches and sorcerers. They were proclaimed danger ous to the masses, and to the church state. A HISTORY OF TERROR. The same weapon that the 'nazis' used on the 'Jews'

El Savador, Poland and Iran The people in these parts of the world are being openly opressed right now by military might. They are given little or no choice as to how to run their own live's. Meanwhile in britain we spectate the massacre of hundreds, knowing full well there's a war on in N. Ireland. The U.K. sold arms to argentina before 'the Conflict' though we were well well aware of the Junta's mass execution squads. Alot of N A T O countries are also guilty of indirect murder through indiscretionary arms sales. "FRANCE, WEST GARMANY, HOLLAND", Need I go on? The latter two countries are selling nuclear installments to the

Military regime of BRAZIL. Let us not forget the BIG TWO AMERICA and the USSR. Just a few weeks ago people were taken off the street, denied their right to protest and arrested. They were protesting about America's escalation in nuclear arsenal, outside the Pentagon. In the USSR the papers are controlled by the party. There is no opposing party, there doesn't need to be. A new president or foreign minister

is elected by his comrades. Where is the voice of the people? There is no outlet for real opinion.

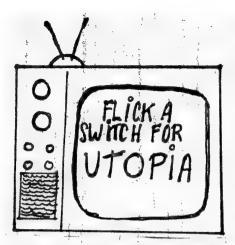
Between them America and the USSR contribute to over half the war budget, of which the starving millions are immediately affected.

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very far away . It's fucking arrived!

CHARITY IS THE PERFUME THAT SWEETENS THE STENCHOF THE SEWARS OF CAPITALISM.



T.V. adverts provide many of us with an opportunity to nip out and make a cup of tea. For those with a gullible mind (and plenty of cash) they are an invisible dictator.

Advertisers convince us that Utopia exists, or at least for those of us who use "Brand X". Considering the massive unemployment figures and low wages of many workers, how can most of us afford this Utopia? We are compelled to buy unnecessary, gimmicky rubbish—thinking that if we don't buy, we don't measure up. Adverts create need, which causes greed. This in turn leads to crime.

We have to learn to distinguish between life's facts and advertiser's fiction. For children this is sometimes difficult and mothers are constantly bombarded with demands of "Mummy, I want one of those"! She in turn has to provide "one of those" or is made to feel she's a bad mother coz "Sally's mummy gave her one"!

Little boys are invited to stage wars in the privacy of their own home. Simply by pointing a toy gun at someone, he learns the feeling of power. Little boys also love noise, but adverts don't show the real noise made by a human being who is screaming and bleeding as a result of gunfire.

Advertising provides us with identity. We all want to look like the girl in the shampoo ad, or have the sex appeal of the guy in the aftershave commercial. So off we rush to buy the appropriate product. If the desired result is achieved the chances are that adverts are refreshing the parts reality can't reach.

Adverts always portray people as happy-go-lucky, young, slim, smiling, sexy, heterosexual people. If you don't fit every one of these descriptions, you're obviously not 'normal' and better go out and buy something to rectify the problem.

Perhaps the real reason they portray people this way is that sometimes the truth hurts. How would you react if you switched on the TV and were faced with a vastly overweight, spotty child, singing the joys of Mars Bars? Picture an unshaven, bad-tempered, hungover husband breakfasting on asprins, or a group of unhealthy dogs vomiting over their petfood. Consider the fact that 47% of women in this country are size 16+ and I'm sure you can see why most of us would prefer to identify with the stereotypes.

Advertising creates illusions and standards that we all try to aspire to - but very few can afford. Surely it's more important to create your own identity, rather than go out and buy one. By telling us that we must constantly consume advertisers are creating all kinds of problems from crime to neurotic women. They numb our minds and help us to accept war by letting us stage our own imaginary battles. They sell us dreams and promises of Utopia, but no matter how much we buy, happiness is still out of reach.

Most of the products offered are tottally unnecessary anyway. Take for example the massive range of Mother's Day, Father's Day, Birthday, Get-well-soon, Valentines Day etc. cards on the market. People spend ALOT of money for such lines as.... All I really want to say,

Is have a happy birthday.

There is also a growing market for amnesiacs, those who rush out to buy "Sorry I forgot your birthday, wedding anniversary, etc cards. Who knows where this might lead? Possibly a decorative card for the Electricity board..... "I'm sorry I forgot to pay my bill last month.....

Up until now it is only women who have begun to see the significance that the balancing of sexual roles has; unfortunately men, (who on the surface benifit from treating women as objects,) have been slow to see the advantages.

But what does this mean for men? It means that the privelages bestowed on them by the right of sexual superiority will eventually erode away, and that in the

short term they aren't going to like it.

Women's liberation is a threat to the society that man dominates. But a threat to what kind of society? It is a society that in the end reduces both sexes to automatons. A society that is riddled with contempt, fear and authoritarianism. These social values need threatening, and perhaps, if women were to take up a position alongside men with equality and without prejudice, we would rid ourselves of the basic sources of those values; and ultimately of the application of those values which limit us and our society.

After all as Audrey Wise put it, the women's movement is not anti-men, it is

pro-people, and believe it or not, that includes you, brother.

..... A BOOK ABOUT MEN... Andrew Goodman & Patricia Walby....

TEN COMMANDMENTS

FOUNDATIONS FOR LAW AND ORDER, CORNERSTONES OF STABILITY AND HARMONY.

THE FOUR BASIC INSTITUTIONS.

RELIGEON

1/ Ultimately, the only solid basis for religeon is blind faith and unquestioning acceptance, therefore; THOU SHALT HAVE NO OTHER GODS BEFORE ME.

The consequences of divine rule shall be known by other names, so that the name of the divine shall no not be uselessly linked with acts whi which are too grossly inhuman. Wherever possible, suffering will be known as Humility, submission as Godliness, servitude as Freedom, war as Peace; but not if the crime is to gross, therefore; THOU SHALT NOT SAY MY NAME IN VAIN.

Men must not depi n any way convey a sense of hum unity;
THOU SHALT NOT YORSHI VEN IMAGES.
THE STATE

Before the man can be made to submit to the authority of the state, the child must be taught to submit to the authority of his parents, which further more inculates a respect for the dead and the decrepit, and an indifference to the young and living, therefore; THOU SHALT RESPECT THY FATHER AND MOTHER.

5/ If the authority of the state is to be maintained, enemies must be created, for other ise men would turn turn against those who oppress them. Men must not dill those in power, but only their enemies. Once it is understood that enemies are people to whom these commandments do not apply, it is enough to say; THOU SHALT NOT KILL.

PRIVATE PROPERTY

6/ The basic privation is sexual privation. This has two consequences: first, the privacy of the introduces men to the notion of privacy, secondly, as with other forms of enjoynent, men will look to heaven for satisfaction, therefore; THOU SHALT NOT COMMIT ADULTARY.

7/ When the few take from the many, the rich from the poor, it is property and wealth, the basis for State Power and authority. When the many take from the few, the poor from the rich, it leads to chaos ans anarchy, and shall be known as theft. This being derstood; THOU SHALT NOT STATE

3/ ens Gods order and His estalishment Earth is true. whatever weakens it is false. In the light of this; THOU SHALT NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS.

THE FAMILY

7/ Regarding ones wife as ones property, and the neighbours wife as his property, the basis for the family, which is the basis for private property, which is the basis for the State, therefore; THOU SHALT NOT COVET THY NEIGHBOURS WIFE.

10/ Submission can be encouraged by the promise of the rewards in Heaven.

Deprivation and poverty are so basic to slavishness and submission that they must be stressed even at the risk of repitition; THOU SHALT NOT COVET THY NEIGHBOURS GOODS.



Roman Law giving men power over women. Originally this was to help ensure that more sons would be born to strengthen the Roman Army. Out of this need, in times of high infant mortality, homosexuality was banned. Sex during menstruation (the safest time for contraception) was discouraged and so were the primitive birth controls of the time. St Paul carried this into Christianity.

Churches Attitude towards homosexuality, birth control, sex during a woman's period and abortion.

Many other Christian religeons (notably Jews) still cling fervently to these values, in spite of the oncoming population explosion.

Our society has 'moral' attitudes toward these things.

Menstrual blood is a real turn off. We turn on to blood on
the big screen with very few qualms whatsoever though.

If parents find out that their son/daughter is homosexual, they respond with guilt and disgust,.... "Where did we go wrong?" On finding their teenage son/daughter in possession of contraceptives, most parents panic. Surely they have very little to worry about if the teenager in question has shown that they are mature and responsible enough to take precuations.

Through-out most of history morals and standards of behaviour have been a good way of keeping people in line. It is still possible to manipulate people by imposing religeous, social and sexual standards on them. To do anything against these set standards of behaviour might upset the status quo.

It is important for the system to employ every means in it's power to keep us in subservient positions. They have to use any method available to ensure that we always Accept what is put out to us. Obviously they don't want usquestioning things around us, or we may eventually start questioning their legal, financial and governmental power over us. An easy way to stop us questioning and going out of line is to give us a 'moral' society. If certain seemingly small things were actually made illegal, we would realize how oppressed we really are. So, it makes sense to set up unwritten laws and codes for behaviour - that way we are tricked into thinking that we have a choice.

Standards of 'moral behaviour' vary from individual to individual, time to time, one place to another and country to country, depending on what is considered undesirable or subversive by the leader of the moment. Why should a load of outdated ideas and standards affect you or me today?

Rather than accept other people's morals and decisions, each one of us should try to take responsibility for our own actions - That is anarchy.

I used to be a socialist, till one day reality struck. When socialists talk of revolution, they mean a male dominated revolution. They talk about "the workers", but what about mothers, wifes, housewifes? They may change the rules, the bosses, even the very structure of society, - but as for women s role in life, they don't change a thing. I'd still be left at home with the pots and pans and shitty nappies.

ANIMALS IN LABORATORIES



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